Fear of Dark Puppet Show

[Calling on the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and 1 John 4:18]

Child	Mommy!
Mother	What is it, dear?
Child	I'm scared of the dark.
Mother	Oh, don't be scared. I'm right here with you.
Child	Mom?
Mother	Yes, honey?
Child	Are you ever scared of the dark?
Mother	I was when I was little, like you. But I'm not anymore.
Child	You were scared, too? Just like me?
Mother	I sure was.
Child	What were you scared of?
Mother	My sister used to snore. I thought she was a monster.
Child	(*laughs*) That's funny! You thought your sister was a monster.
Mother	She snored really loud, like this… (*snores extremely loudly*)
Child	That's funny, Mom! (*snores loudly, too*)
Mother	Hey, stop it, you're scaring me! (*laughs*)
Child	Hey, Mom?
Mother	Yes, honey?
Child	Do you want to know why I was scared?
Mother	Yes. Tell me about it while I cuddle you.
Child	Well, I feel safe when you're here, but when you leave me my imagination starts imagining and I get really, really scared.
Mother	Whenever you are scared, call on the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and ask them to protect you and give you courage.
Child	Okay Mom. I will pray. Jesus and Mary please protect me and give me courage!
Mother	That was very good, honey!
Child	Hey! I do feel better.
Mother	I'm so glad.
Child	Mom? What do I do if my imagination starts imagining scary things again?

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Mother	Well, tell me what you were imagining tonight.
Child	I imagined that my dresser was a dragon. It was coming to eat me.
Mother	Well, maybe I can help you with that. Let's imagine that your dresser is a dragon, but it's made out of chocolate and caramel and bubblegum, and just as it comes to try to eat us, WE EAT THE DRAGON!!!! Yum, yum, yum, yum, yum!!!!
Child	(*laughs*) Yum, yummy in my tummy! What a delicious dragon!!!
Mother	Quite yummy. Don't forget to lick your fingers!!
Child	I won't, Mom. (*laughs*) Mom?
Mother	Yes, sweetie?
Child	Will you stay with me until I get sleepy again, just in case I get scared?
Mother	I sure will. And if that dragon comes back, I'm going to bite off his nose!
Child	And I'll bite off his teeth!
Mother	And I'll bite off his ears!
Child	And I'll bite off his tail!
Mother	And I'll bite off his eyeballs!
Child	And I'll bite off his toenails! (*yawns*)
Mother	(*whispers*) And I'll bite off his knees.
Child	And I'll bite off his…. (*falls asleep and snores*)
Mother	Good night my little one. God bless you and keep you in sweet dreams all night long. (*kisses wee one*)

The End

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